

## **Low Hanging Fruit**

Many task force members have expressed interest in getting started on some low-hanging fruit, i.e. beginning programs now, rather than waiting until the Energy Strategy is fully formulated and approved. Here's a short list of the resources to help city officials and staff learn about the available options and choose an approach and programs that will work well in your jurisdiction.

### **Key Resources**

#### **ABAG Energy Watch**

This program is a great way to start saving energy quickly in your facilities. The consulting is free of charge and the retrofits often have quick paybacks. A flyer is attached. Ask Bruce Chamberlain on our committee for more information.

#### **Flex Your Power**

This site provides all the latest news in energy saving strategies and rebates. You can search by zip code for rebates and incentives by sector; see <http://www.fypower.org/inst/tools/rgr.html> for institutional users (look for Government Solutions under the "institutional" tab). You can sign up for the newsletter at <http://www.fypower.org/news/enewswire.html> and may want to add Flex Your Power links to your city website. Elizabeth Dougherty handles outreach to local governments. She can be reached at (415) 771-7571 x310 or [edougherty@www.fypower.org](mailto:edougherty@www.fypower.org).

#### **PG&E**

Our local utility offers dozens of programs with rebates, incentives and counseling to help its customers use less energy and save money. You can start by looking at this website, <http://www.pge.com/rebates/>. Kathy Lavezzo on our committee and Sara Birmingham, PG&E Manager Self Generation Incentive Programs, are resources. Sara can be reached at 415-973-5187 or via e-mail at [SEBB@pge.com](mailto:SEBB@pge.com).

#### **BAWSCA**

Several water conserving programs are available through your water utility. The attached report will show you what is available and what you can push your utility to provide. Programs that are available to your city can be listed on your website. Nicole Sandkulla of our committee is a resource.

#### **RecycleWorks**

This is our county program and serves all the cities. You can find sample policies at [http://www.recycleworks.org/greenbuilding/gb\\_prog\\_policies.html](http://www.recycleworks.org/greenbuilding/gb_prog_policies.html) and a list of programs and ordinances (by city) at <http://www.recycleworks.org/cityinfo.html>.

Many cities link to RecycleWorks under different categories on their sites. For instance, a popular page is <http://www.recycleworks.org/junkmail>, which helps residents and businesses reduce their junk mail. Since RecycleWorks keeps this information up-to-date, by linking to our pages, you can rest assured that the information remains current.

If you would like to see what the other cities are doing regarding sustainability, check out the Sustainable San Mateo County Indicators Report. The back of the report has individual cities describing lists all the cities and towns except Woodside.

As we move continue to develop the Energy Strategy, we will learn about other programs and may add them to this list and/or the implementation plan.

# ASSOCIATION OF BAY AREA GOVERNMENTS

## energy watch

### program dates

Summer 2006 through  
December 31, 2008

### serving

Alameda, Contra Costa,  
Napa, San Mateo, Santa  
Clara, Solano, and Sonoma  
Counties

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### a joint project of



The **2006-2008 ABAG Energy Watch Partnership**, a joint project of the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) and Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E), partners with local governments to achieve energy efficiency. **This project is an expansion of the 2004-2005 Local Government Energy Partnership (LGEP) program.**

ABAG Energy Watch assists local governments to implement cost-effective, energy saving projects in public facilities and to generate communitywide energy savings. Program assistance is free to eligible, enrolled local governments.

#### Facility services may include:

- Energy assessments and analyses – including benchmarking information
- Dedicated incentive funds to subsidize energy efficiency projects
- Energy engineering and savings verification assistance
- Design review for energy efficiency improvements
- Retro-commissioning with utility data tracking to monitor savings and ensure persistence
- Greenhouse gas emission analysis
- Developing equipment specifications
- Assistance acquiring contractor services and obtaining project financing
- Customized workshops
- Referrals to self-generation, load management, and demand response resources

#### Community energy assistance may include:

- Local energy policies and programs (e.g. energy element of General Plans)
- Energy ordinances and codes
- Green procurement policy assistance
- Green building guidelines
- Community education initiatives

California consumers are not obligated to purchase any full fee service or other service not funded by this program. This program is funded by California utility ratepayers under the auspices of the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC).

# Conservation Best Management Practices Implemented by BAWSCA Members - FY 2004-05

**Some programs may not be fully implemented to meet current BMP requirements**

Member	BMP 1	BMP 2	BMP 3	BMP 4	BMP 5a	BMP 5b	BMP 6	BMP 7	BMP 8	BMP 9a	BMP 9b	BMP 11	BMP 12	BMP 13	BMP 14
Alameda CWD	NCE	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	NCE
Brisbane				•		•	•					•		•	
Burlingame	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	
CWS - Bear Gulch	NCE	•	•	•			•	•	•			•	•	•	•
CWS - Mid-Peninsula	NCE	•	•	•			•	•	•			•	•	•	•
CWS - South SF	NCE	•	•	•	•		•	•	•			•	•	•	•
Coastside	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•		•	•	•	•	
Daly City	NCE	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	NCE	•	•	•	NCE
East Palo Alto	•	•	•			•	•	•				•	•		
Estero	•	•					•	•				•	•	•	•
Guadalupe Valley			•			•	•					•	•	•	
Hayward	•	•	•			•	•					•	•	•	•
Hillsborough			•			•	•					•	•		
Menlo Park		•	•			•	•					•	•	•	
Mid-Peninsula	•	•	•	•			•	•	•			•			
Millbrae	•	•	•	•	•		•	•	•		•	•	•	•	•
Milpitas	•	•	•	•	•		•	•	•	•		•	•	•	•
Mountain View	•	•	•	•	•		•	•	•	•		•	•	•	•
North Coast	•	•	•	•			•	•	•			•	•	•	•
Palo Alto	•	•	•	•	•		•	•	•	•		•	•	•	•
Purissima Hills	•	•	•	•			•	•				•		•	•
Redwood City	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
San Bruno			•				•	•	•						
San Jose	•	•	•	•	•		•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Santa Clara	•	•	•	•	•		•	•	•	•		•	•	•	•
Skyline	•	•	•				•		E			•			
Stanford	•	•	•	•	•		•	•		•	•	•	•	•	•
Sunnyvale	•	•	•		•		•	•	•	•		•		•	•
Westborough	•		•	•			•					•	•	•	•

NCE: Not Cost Effective      E: Exempt

## Key to Best Management Practices

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| <b>BMP 1</b> Residential Water Surveys            | <b>BMP 8</b> School Education               |
| <b>BMP 2</b> Residential Retrofit                 | <b>BMP 9a</b> Commercial Water Audits       |
| <b>BMP 3</b> System Audits, Leaks                 | <b>BMP 9b</b> Ultra Low Flow Toilet/Urinals |
| <b>BMP 4</b> Metering with Commodity              | <b>BMP 11</b> Conservation Pricing          |
| <b>BMP 5a</b> Large Landscape Conservation Audits | <b>BMP 12</b> Conservation Coordinator      |
| <b>BMP 5b</b> Water Budgets                       | <b>BMP 13</b> Water Waste Prohibition       |
| <b>BMP 6</b> Residential Clothes Washer           | <b>BMP 14</b> Residential Ultra Low Flow    |
| <b>BMP 7</b> Public Information                   |   |

Source: BAWSCA FY 2004-05 Annual Survey

Table VIII